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## **Salisbury and Miller's Ferry Fire Departments to Receive Donation of Thermal Imaging Cameras Courtesy of Firehouse Subs**

*City Council Meeting to Offer Venue for Donation in Remembrance of Fallen Firefighters*

Salisbury, NC\_June 10, 2008 – The City of Salisbury announced today that the Salisbury Fire Department and the Miller's Ferry Volunteer Fire Department will be the recipients of complimentary Thermal Imaging Cameras, at the June 17, Salisbury City Council meeting. The 4 pm presentation will take place in City Council Chambers, 217 S. Main Street in Salisbury. The cameras are given in remembrance of Fallen Firefighters Victor Isler and Justin Monroe, who perished in the March 7, 2008, Salisbury Millwork Fire incident.

Justin Scotto and Rick Daya, Charlotte Firehouse Sub Franchise owners, were deeply saddened to hear the tragic news of the loss of two of Salisbury's bravest. Both Scotto and Daya sought to honor the memory of Isler and Monroe with a donation that would continue the firefighters' tradition of service to the community. Scotto shares, "The Charlotte Firehouse Subs locations, on behalf of our Foundation, are extremely proud to make this presentation. We are honored to provide the donation of a thermal imager camera (MSA 5200) to both the Salisbury Fire Department and the Miller's Ferry Volunteer Fire Department in remembrance of Victor Isler and Justin Monroe"

Chief Bob Parnell, Salisbury Fire Department, and Chief Bobby Fox, Miller's Ferry Fire Department, will accept the cameras on behalf of their respective departments. Chief Parnell states, "Chief Fox and I are truly grateful for these generous gifts to our departments. Thermal imaging cameras enable firefighters to see through the darkness and smoke in a fire. The cameras offer the exact location of the strongest heat source, which allows a team of firefighters to better concentrate their efforts in working the fire. This technologically advanced equipment is significant in completing searches to rescue victims in near-zero visibility with an added degree of safety." In addition, through the use of the thermal imaging camera, firefighters are able to locate hidden fire and assess the structural integrity of buildings. The MSA 5200 cameras are valued at approximately \$11,000 each, providing a total contribution of \$22,000 by the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation.

Firehouse Subs was founded by brothers Robin and Chris Sorensen, whose family offers more than 200 years of public service as firefighters. Their foundation, the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c3) entity, dedicated to improving the life-saving capabilities of emergency services in communities served by Firehouse Subs. The Foundation provides emergency services with life-saving equipment, provides prevention and educational tools to the public about the importance of fire safety, emergency services and natural disaster preparedness; and provides financial resources to individuals pursuing a career in the public

safety sector. For more information regarding Firehouse Subs, their foundation and outreach, visit the World Wide Web at [www.firehousesubs.com](http://www.firehousesubs.com) .

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